

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title of this application with the following title:

--DIRECTIONAL SPEAKER CONTROL SYSTEM--

On Page 1, following the Title and before the Technical Field section, please insert the following:

--This application is a U. S. National Phase Application of PCT International Application PCT/JP2004/014437 filed on September 24, 2004.--

On Page 7, please delete the fifth paragraph and insert the following replacement paragraph:

-- The directional speaker control system according to the first embodiment of this invention includes a first directional speaker 1 for emitting a first sound S1 towards a wall surface of a listening room or a sound reflection board 3 and a second directional speaker 2 for emitting a second sound S2 whose phase is inverse to that of an audio element S1a of the first sound S1 and which reaches a listening position U directly.--

On Page 10, please delete the first full paragraph and insert the following replacement paragraph:

--The aforementioned description is given with attention given to phases only. It is possible to calculate sound pressure of the audio element S1a at the listening position U based on the directivity of the directional speaker 1 and the distance ~~L_{AN}~~ L_{NA}. Similarly, it is possible to calculate sound pressure of the sound S2 at the listening position U. By adjusting the gain of the gain adjustment circuit 203 based on calculation results, it is possible to control a dampening value for the audio element S1a; hence, it is possible to control the audio element S1a to make it have a desired sound pressure at the listening position U.--

On Page 16, please delete the first full paragraph and insert the following replacement paragraph:

--The directional speaker 21 functions as a first directional speaker for emitting a sound S1-L toward the wall surface or sound reflection board 3-L based on a rear left signal ~~[[L]]~~ SL, and it also functions as a second directional speaker for canceling out a sound S1a-R reaching a listener directly from the directional speaker 22 by use of a sound S2-R. The directional

speaker 22 functions as a first directional speaker for emitting a sound S1-R toward the wall surface or sound reflection board 3-R based on a rear right signal SR, and it also functions as a second directional speaker for canceling out a sound S1a-L reaching the listener directly from the directional speaker 21 by use of a sound S2-L.--